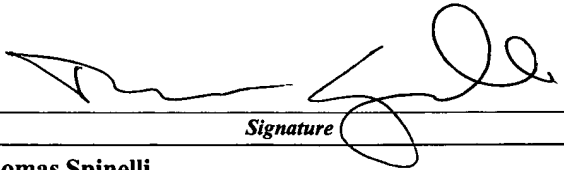
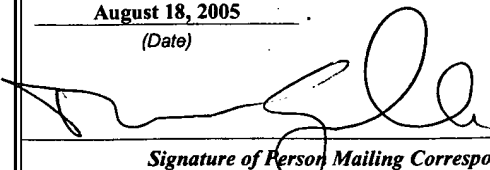


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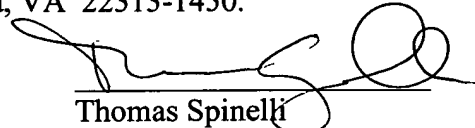
Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated June 2, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in light of the following remarks and amendments:

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